

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Availability of a Draft Recirculated Environmental Impact Report

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Sections 21091 and 21092 and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Sections 15105 and 15087, notice is hereby given that a Draft Recirculated Environmental Impact Report (DREIR) for the proposed Marina Park (proposed project) is available for public review during the public comment period (January 25 – March 10, 2010). The City of Newport Beach (City) has prepared the DREIR to analyze the environmental impacts associated with implementation of the proposed project; to discuss alternatives; and to propose mitigation measures for identified potentially significant impacts that will minimize, offset, or otherwise reduce or avoid those environmental impacts.

The proposed project encompasses approximately 10.45 acres and presently supports the Marina Park mobile home park, Girl Scout House, community center, Las Arenas Park, the Southern California Edison parcel, Veteran's Park, tennis courts, an alley, sidewalks, the 19th Street restroom, beach, and the portion of the project site within Newport Bay. The proposed project includes three phases. In Phase 1 the mobile home park would be demolished and converted to open space with coastal access improvements. Phase 2 would convert the open space to turf. Phase 3 would consist of the construction of a Multi-Purpose Building at the Balboa Center Complex, a Sailing Program Building at the Balboa Center Complex, a new Girl Scout House, parking areas, park with tennis and basketball courts, beach, and a 23-slip marina. The public park would provide for passive and active areas. The passive areas include an open lawn area and a water feature. The active areas include a children's play area, tennis courts, and basketball courts. The public short-term visiting vessel marina would accommodate visiting vessels for up to 30 days. Utility hook-ups are proposed to be available for the marina. Bathrooms and laundry areas are proposed adjacent to the marina. The Balboa Center Complex would include rooms for educational classes, sailing classes, and community events, and would have a café situated on the second story. The existing bathroom on the public beach adjacent to 19th Street would be reconstructed.

The DREIR examines the potential impacts generated by the proposed project in relation to the following Environmental Analysis Checklist categories: Land Use and Planning, Traffic and Circulation, Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Geology and Soils, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Public Services, Utilities and Service Systems, and Noise. The purpose of this notice is to inform local residents, institutions, agencies, and other interested parties about the availability of the DREIR during the public comment period (January 25-March 10, 2010). Written comments on the DREIR must be submitted no later than March 10, 2010, to the address below.

DREIR REVIEWING LOCATIONS

Please submit written comments by March 10, 2010

City Hall

Planning Department (Building C), 3300 Newport Blvd.

Newport Beach Public Libraries

Central Library, 1000 Avocado Avenue

Mariner's Branch, 1300 Irvine Avenue

Balboa Branch, 100 East Balboa Boulevard

Online

<http://www.newportbeachca.gov/index.aspx?page=108>

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